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TO-DAY'S LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

EVENTS DEVELOPING IN THE BALKANS.

GREEKS LIKELY TO RESIST BULGARIAN ENCROACHMENTS.

British Inflict Terrific Losses on Bulgarians.

LONDON GIVES 100,000 RECRUITS IN HALF A WEEK.

[Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph."]

THE FIGHTING IN THE BALKANS.

PRaise FOR THE BRITISH SOLDIER.

December 13, 1.35 p.m.
Reuter's special correspondent in Macedonia, in a stirring story of the fight against enormous odds, telegraphs:—Here, as in France and Gallipoli, the British soldier has proved himself a desperate fighter when placed in a corner. There is only one motor road in this region, the rest of the ground, apart from goat tracks, being rough and hilly, and covered with thick shrub, making all movement difficult. Some idea of the difficulties of the position can be gained from the fact that it took a couple of hours to reach men only a mile away from the track.
The bitter cold is also most trying. The men have been suddenly flung into a bleak wilderness fresh from the torrid heat in Gallipoli, and they have naturally been exposed to cruel hardships. At last the snow and frost have disappeared, but have been replaced by constant mists.

A FIERCE REARGUARD ACTION.

December 13, 2.40 p.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Salonica states that the Anglo-French retirement proceeds regularly and in perfect order. There are occasional rearguard actions, one of which yesterday, between French and Bulgarians, was most fierce, the Bulgarians, as usual, losing heavily.

GREEKS TO RESIST BULGARIANS.

December 13, 2.40 p.m.
Reuter's Salonica correspondent says it has been reiterated that the Greeks will retire if the Bulgarians cross the frontier, but reports from the point where the Bulgarians are threatening to violate Greek territory show that the Greeks are moving up with the evident object of disputing the passage.

TERRIFIC BULGARIAN LOSSES.

December 14, 10.55 a.m.
The special correspondents at Salonica are unanimous in stating that the Bulgarian losses on the British front are terrific, inasmuch as they attacked in German formation of massed battalions.

FORTIFYING SALONICA.

December 14, 10.55 a.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Salonica states that General Sarrail has informed Greece that he will immediately begin the fortification of Salonica.

TO-DAY'S LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

GREECE AND THE BALKANS.

THE CONFERENCES CONTINUE.

December 13, 2.40 p.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Salonica states that the conferences between the Greek and Allied Staffs continue.

THE RECRUITING BOOM.

LONDON'S PROUD RECORD.

December 13, 1.35 p.m.
Although the official figures are not forthcoming, the number of recruits obtained in London during the last half-week is estimated at 100,000, of whom 50,000 were enrolled on Saturday.
Lord Derby has sent a message to the Press warmly appreciating the efforts of the newspapers.

SIGNIFICANT LABOUR STATEMENT.

The Labourite Leader, Mr. Hodge, M.P., speaking at Birmingham, said an inconclusive peace would be as disastrous as war itself. He added that it would be better to have compulsory military service than to endanger liberty.

THE CENSORSHIP.

RESTRICTIONS REMOVED REGARDING FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

December 13, 1.35 p.m.
The Press Bureau announces the suspension of the censorship on matters relating to foreign affairs, but the directors of news agencies and newspapers will be responsible thereafter.

PERSIAN AFFAIRS.

RUSSIANS NEARING HAMADAN.

December 14, 10.55 a.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Teheran states that the Russians have defeated the Persian rebels at Avah and are now nearing Hamadan.

ASSASSINATION PLOT.

December 14, 10.55 a.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Teheran states that a plot to assassinate the Persian Minister of Interior has been discovered. Some arrests have been made. The plot was instigated by pro-German refugees at Kumm.

THE BRITISH MISSION.

CORDIAL SEND-OFF FROM PARIS.

December 13, 3.15 p.m.
Reuter's Paris correspondent states that Earl Kitchener and Sir Edward Grey have left. They were given a cordial farewell by M. Briand and General Gallieni. Large crowds assembled to see them off.

ITALY'S POLICY.

APPROVED BY THE CHAMBER.

December 13, 3.15 p.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Rome states that the Chamber, on considering financial provisions, passed a vote of confidence in the Government by 381 votes to 49.

THE AUSTRIAN ARMY.

CALLING UP LADS FOR SERVICE.

December 13, 3.15 p.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Zurich states that Austrians of 17 years are being called up for Landsturm service.

TO-DAY'S LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

HUNGRY GERMANS INVADE REICHSTAG.

(Havas Telegram.)

December 12.
It is reported at Copenhagen, in a Berlin telegram, that last night a mob of several thousand people made an attempt to invade the Reichstag, clamouring for bread and the return of their husbands.

[In the event of telegrams arriving too late for insertion on this page they will be found on the Extra.]

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE ITALIANS.

TAKE TRENCHES AT BAYONET'S POINT.

December 13, 3.20 a.m.
A Rome communique announces that the Italians have secured possession of the heights between Guidicaria and Conces valleys, dominating Bezegge basin. They carried at the point of the bayonet successive lines of strong trenches with redoubts, near Noyyolo.

GREECE AND THE BALKANS.

THE SITUATION DEVELOPING.

December 13, 3.20 a.m.
According to Reuter's representative at Athens the situation is developing normally, the Entente's demands having been accepted with certain reservations.

THE DARDANELLES.

THE WEATHER ANOTHER ENEMY.

December 13, 5.35 a.m.
Reuter's special correspondent at the Dardanelles states that winter has set in prematurely. A severe blizzard is testing the stamina of the men, particularly the Colonials many of whom had never seen snow. Water has poured down the trenches, bringing down the bodies of Turks and mules. The Turks are in the surliest plight. The floods drove them out of the trenches. Many of them clambered on to the parapets where they were shot. Others perished from cold as they were not supplied with proper clothing.

THE ANCONA.

AMERICA'S DEFINITE DEMAND.

December 13, 11.15 a.m.
According to Reuter's correspondent at Washington it is understood that the American Note to Austria regarding the Ancona gives Austria a week for compliance with the demands, otherwise a rupture of diplomatic relations is regarded as certain.

THE FIGHTING IN THE BALKANS.

BULGARIANS NEAR GREEK FRONTIER.

December 13, 11.15 p.m.
A message from Salonica on the 12th reports that the evacuation of Doiran and Ghevgheli was completed to-day. The Bulgarians are reported to be five miles from the Greek frontier, following slowly in the wake of the Allies.

GREEK TERRITORY THREATENED.

December 13, 5.35 a.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Salonica says it is reported that the Bulgarians intend a violation of the Greek frontier although Greek troops are moving towards the threatened point.

TELEGRAMS

THE CHINESE MONARCHY.

How the Votes Went

[Reuter's Service to "The Telegraph."]
London, Received December 14.
Reuter's correspondent at Peking states that the Legislative Council, after a final examination of the representatives of citizens, found that all 1,993 votes were in favour of a Constitutional Monarchy, with Yuan Shih-kai as the first Emperor.

The form of Government will not be changed until next year.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

OBITUARY.

Marquess of Abercromby.

London, Received December 13.
The death is announced of the Marquess of Abercromby, who was born in 1826 and owned about 50,000 acres, mostly in Sussex.

NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

CONDENSED.

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DONT FORGET.

TO-DAY.

Bijou Theatre—9.15 p.m.

Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

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Thursday, December 16.

Stone-lying Mongkokkai Harbour of Refuge—4.30 p.m.

Saturday, December 18.

The China Fire Insurance Co. Ltd., Extraordinary General Meeting—Noon.

Monday, December 20.

Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., Extraordinary General Meeting—7 p.m.

China Traders Insurance Co. Ltd., Extraordinary General Meeting—11.15 a.m.

GENERAL NEWS.

Cottery Accident at Fushun.
A Tairen dispatch states that an explosion of gas in the Fushun colliery has killed one miner, and injured five Japanese and fifty Chinese miners.

Dutch buy American Aeroplanes.
The Wall Street Journal announces that the Netherlands Government has bought twenty Curtiss aeroplanes in America. This acquisition was made after a series of experiments at Los Angeles with this type of machine.

A Case of "Suttee."
Calcutta, November 17.—A case of suttee is just reported from Goghat in the Hughly District. In the village a beggar, named Nibaran Doss, and his wife had lived together for over fourteen years. Some time since the husband fell a victim to consumption, and died a few days ago. When his dead body was carried to the cremation ground, and placed on the pyre, the wife jumped three times on the burning pyre, apparently smiling; and each time she was extricated by her relations. Though she was severely burnt, she did not show the least sign of agony, but being taken home she died in an hour, and was cremated on the same pyre with her husband.

For "No Treating."
Colombo, November 12.—A league has been formed in Colombo the members of which have pledged themselves not to stand drinks during the period of the war. The object of the league is to encourage economy in the use of alcohol, so as to be an example in which has been set by the King. The league feels that the best means of promoting such economy is by striking a death-blow at the drinking custom which is being so violently set upon by the force of law and order in England. Of course in Ceylon it will not be a case of "ten chips and costs" if you stand a friend a split; but quite a voluntary abstinence from the privileges of alcoholic generosity.

A Report Corroborated.
The previous report that the aggregate yield of north Manchurian beans this year is much the same as last year, despite all reports to the contrary, is corroborated, says the *Manchurian Daily News*. It appears that any natural shortage has been quite made up by the enlarged cultivation of beans at the expense of wheat. This year's outputs are rather undervalued, but are of a fine quality. They are well dried, as the weather continued suspicious prior to the harvesting season. The slowness of their appearance on market is due to no other cause than the backwardness of the season.

Shanghai Official's Retirement.
Mr. L. Koenberg of the Shanghai Municipal Tax Office, is retiring through ill health after nineteen years' service, says the *North China Daily News*. Last week the staff met to bid Mr. Koenberg good-bye. Mr. E. L. Allen, Overseer of Taxes, referred to the long service of Mr. Koenberg and said how sorry the staff were to lose so valuable a colleague and friend. On behalf of the Tax Office he presented him with a large silver loving cup, suitably inscribed. Mr. Koenberg in reply expressed his regret at severing so long an acquaintance with the staff.

Pole in Mandalay.
The Committee of the Burma Polo Association propose to hold the Annual Polo Tournament for the Burma Polo Association Challenge Cup in Mandalay during Christmas week, beginning on Saturday, the 25th December, 1915, the Honorary Secretary being Capt. H. Childers, Burma Polo Association. In addition it is proposed to hold a Tournament at Mandalay beginning on either Christmas Day or Friday, the 24th December, which will be limited to the following combinations:—Military Police Battalions, Station or Regimental Teams, or any other combination approved by the Committee. The Committee propose presenting cups for this should the Annual Tournament for the Burma Polo Association Challenge Cup fall through.

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GENERAL NEWS.

New Bank Manager.
M. Emile Ullmann has resigned as manager of the Bank of Indo-China and has been succeeded by M. Paul Boyer, vice president of the Comptoir National d'Escompte.

Admiral Tseng's Son returns Thanks.
Mr. Tseng Tsai-wei, the eldest son of the late Admiral Tseng was received by the President on Tuesday, the 30th ultimo, to tender his thanks for the liberal gifts which his family had received.

Chinese Minister Recalled.
Mr. Wang Kuan-chi, the newly appointed Minister to Rome has been recalled by the Government to Peking. It is understood that the Government desires to discuss a "certain important question" with him.

Judgment Against Japan Foreigner.
Judgment in the criminal charge against Mr. C. S. Wade in connection with a motor-car accident at Tsunmi on August 29 has now been given at the Yokohama Chiba Saiban-cho, the verdict being not guilty.

Ice in the Yalu.
The first floes of the season appeared in the Yalu at Antung about 11 a.m. on the 20th ultimo. The ponds, pools, and marshes about Antung and New Wiju were frozen over on that day and many were seen skating thereon.

French Dramatist's Sudden Death.
Paris, October 26.—The death is announced in Paris to-day of M. Paul Herve, a member of the French Academy, who attained great success as a dramatic author. He was found dead in his bed at 5 o'clock this morning by his valet.—*Central News*.

A Council and V.C.'s.
Ponemouth Town Council has decided to present to each local officer and man who wins the Victoria Cross an address enclosed in a silver casket. The cost is being defrayed by public subscription. Lieutenant Holbrook, V.C., will be the first so honoured.

Died at Harbin.
Mr. Samuel Barak, the well-known Harbin barrister, died suddenly on November 30, at the age of sixty-five. Mr. Barak was a member of the Municipal Council and played a great part in framing local legislation, acting as Municipal legal adviser.

"Like a Chinese Puzzle."
As an inquest at Battersea recently on Private George Henry Tipton, 15, of the 5th Hampshire Regiment, who was killed while patrolling the L. and S. W. Railway at Queen's road, it was stated that the man's boot was found between the live rail and the running rail. His body was discovered in the six-foot way. Evidence showed that the man must have come in contact with the live rail in getting out of the way of an incoming train. Staggered by the shock, he was apparently knocked down by a train travelling in another direction. The coroner said that the case seemed like a Chinese puzzle and the evidence was heard. A verdict of "Accidental death" was returned.

GENERAL NEWS.

Trench Manager.
Mr. J. H. Rich, manager of Trench Mines, returned from home by the mail boat. He is accompanied by Mrs. Rich.

Police Inspector Dismissed.
It is gazetted that Mr. F. C. Harris, probationary police inspector, Singapore, has been dismissed from the public service.

England's Oldest Soldier.
General Sir George Higginson, who, at the age of 92, is said to be the oldest soldier in E. g. and, has just inspected the 3rd Bucks Territorial.

A Strange Farewell.
Shortly before he died, having been taken ill on the last day he was out with his pack, Mr. A. D. Martin, Master of the Oberlin (Duron) Otter Hunt, had his bounds brought to his bedside and bade them farewell.

Illicit Sale of Morphine in Korea.
Not a few Koreans, especially those in association with Chinese along the northern frontier, are addicted to the habitual use of opium, morphine, and similar narcotics, says the *Seoul Press*. The authorities are putting forth efforts to free them from this bad habit, and are keeping an eye on them so as to make it impossible for them to purchase these drugs. Their efforts have, however, not infrequently been made abortive by some dishonest druggists, who secretly sell opium and other prohibited drugs. The authorities have decided on effecting stricter control over these dishonest druggists, and a few days ago administered punishment to four of them in Wonsan. Perhaps the Japanese authorities in South Manchuria will take a leaf out of the book of their counterparts in Korea.

Unclaimed Telegrams.
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Kogakikyo c/o Matsubara Hotel, Dairen; Bien Hongkong Hotel, Amoy; Miss Reed Hongkong Hotel, Shanghai; Kwangsiangung Nungxing Street, Shanghai; Fooking-Osaka; Tomihama, Amoy; Matsubara c/o Osakaohosen, Osaka; Matsuo Japanese Consulate General, Tokyo; Woo Kwangtai Godown, Shanghai; Sasaki c/o Taiheiyoku, Tsukubakomari; Hongkoshan, Amoy; W. E. Schrodler, Superintendent, Hongkong, 10th December, 1915.

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BIRTH.

SYMES.—At Seremban, on the 25th November, to Mrs. W.L.B. Symes, a daughter.

DEATHS.

MUNRO.—November 3, at a nursing home, Welbeck-street, W. George Munro, late Manager National Bank of China, aged 65 years.

WHITTALL.—November 4, at Strode House, Beckenham, Margaret, wife of James B. Whittall.

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HONGKONG, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1915.

YUAN AS KING.

What every European in this part of the world who had even the smallest claim to an acquaintance with Chinese affairs had always foreseen, has now taken place, and the world is given to understand that China declares herself in favour of promoting Yuan Shih-kai from President to Monarch. The event has come about at a time when the world's eyes and attention are turned elsewhere and consequently it loses its dramatic force to a very great extent. With the processes by means of which China has arrived at her conclusion, as with the outside influences that may or may not have been at work to help her along the road to that conclusion, we have nothing to do at the present moment. We regard only the facts that China has abandoned her republicanism and that Yuan, after quite a Caesarian succession of refusals, has accepted the crown.

It has always been our conviction that since China must needs throw off Manchu rule, her only alternative was to accept as her chief the man whom circumstances had provided ready to hand: Yuan Shih-kai. Whether she called him President, Dictator or Sovereign really mattered little. She had weighed her "new" men and had had good cause to find them wanting; she had previously proved that political abuses were inseparable from Manchu rule and custom; therefore her only chance of independent and corporate life lay in accepting as her ruler one who had faith to take up a wide middle position between the conservatism of the late Empire and the reform enthusiasm of those who were instrumental in putting an end to Manchu rule. In Yuan Shih-kai they saw a man whose political sense rebelled against many of the lexities and follies of the old regime, but who, at the same time was far too practical to believe that any good could come to China if she attempted to move too quickly. The fair-minded among the Chinese will surely own that nothing serious has happened that could show them to have been mistaken in their judgment. In his relations with foreigners and with his own people, Yuan Shih-kai has striven to preserve the peace and order of his country, and many of the errors which have been laid to him might perhaps better have been attributed to those by whom, as President, his actions were necessarily more or less fettered.

China has tried republicanism for four years and has found what any unbiased outsider could have told her that she would find; namely: that the path of a republican government is strewn with more thorns than a much stronger country than herself can easily tread down. After four years of such government there is no definite improvement that can be pointed to as a result thereof. What wonder, then, that her thinking people should be of opinion that it is high time to give some other method a trial. She can at least be no worse off than she has been during the past four years. Yuan Shih-kai, unrestrained by a mixture and a superfluity of counsellors, may show himself a far more successful ruler than he has hitherto had the opportunity of doing. China's chief requisite is common sense. When she acquires this she will realise that the corruption that has ever existed in her commerce and her politics is more destructive to the country's interests than anything else could be. In her present need it is the guidance of one man that she wants, for, if Western countries suffer by reason of a multitude of counsellors, what must be China's fate when there are conflicting voices and theories in every branch of her Government? If, after four years of Yuan's rule, she is no more fit to stand in line with other civilised countries than she is to-day, she may reasonably conclude that her choice has not fallen on the right man; but from all that she sovereign-elect has done, or has endeavoured to do, during his presidentialty, we have every right to believe that the Chinese will live to rejoice over, and not to deplore, their present choice.

The Only Way.

It is most comforting to observe that justice is being meted out with a firm hand at the Magistrate's just now. A wholesome change for the better appears to be setting in; our magistrates have evidently come to realise the utter futility of imposing light sentences on a people who always regard such procedure as a sign of weakness. A gentleman of the smacking fraternity who was yesterday brought before Mr. Lindell will have plenty of time in which to ponder over his misdeeds, since the magistrate ordered him a whole year's free board and lodging inside Victoria Gaol, throwing in a dozen strokes of the birch so that the non-paying guest may have something by which to remember the place. That is the way to treat these masks if we are to stamp out this bare-faced robbery habit—a small fine or a few weeks' imprisonment will never meet such cases. The fact is that many of these practices have grown in seriousness simply because the offenders have been so lightly punished in the past. They can be put down only by the exercise of the full powers conferred on the magistrates, and we can only hope that, whatever changes are made in the personnel of the Bench at any time, there will be no going back on the line now being followed in both Courts at the Magistracy.

A Cruelty Case.

For once in a while, there was a cruelty case before the Court yesterday. Mr. Hazeland dealing quite sharply with a Chinese who had been guilty of torturing a pigeon. The nature of the cruelty is not disclosed; probably it was nothing more serious than one sees going unpunished every day of the week. All the same, we are gratified to notice that a Police Reserve officer saw fit to bring the charge, for cruelty has become so common in our midst that we are all too apt to get used to seeing it. This time the magistrate indicated his views on the matter by fining the defendant \$50 with the option of a couple of months in gaol. The only fault we have to find with the sentence is that the cruel wretch should have been given the opportunity of squaring matters by the payment of a fine. In all such cases, imprisonment and a good, sound birching to boot, should be the invariable rule. It is worth noticing, incidentally, that in both these prosecutions Police Reserve men were to the fore. The new force is certainly doing some very useful work these days.

K. C. C.

As the premier Club of its kind across the harbour, the Kowloon Cricket Club has done much to keep the sporting spirit alive in Kowloon. It has flourishing cricket, tennis and golf sections, with a membership which is a sure sign of prosperity, and it is now felt that the time has come to cater yet further for its many members. There is to be a special meeting at the Clubhouse to-morrow night, when three schemes, each of considerable magnitude, are to come up for consideration. Any of those if carried into effect, will serve to yet further increase the popularity of one of the best and most efficiently organised sporting Clubs in the Colony. Some time back the officers of the Club were inclined to convert the organisation into a combined sporting and social Club, even contemplating the building of a new pavilion, but the scheme could not be put through, owing to causes over which the Club had no control. However, it is pleasing to know that the Club is determined to progress, and it is to be hoped that the members will rally round the officers in their desire to extend the Club's activities.

Abandoning Coolie.

The managing partner of the Kai Hing shop of 119 Connaught Road West has reported to the police that a shop coolie stole \$645.88 and absconded. He had previously collected \$268.17 from another shop and made off with this money as well.

DAY BY DAY.

FOR TIME WILL TEACH THREE SOON THE TRUTH. THERE ARE NO BIRDS IN LAST YEAR'S NESTS.—Longfellow.

The Weather.
At the Peak 8 a.m. Temp. 53; fine.
Lower level 8 a.m. Temp. 63; fine.

The Mails.
American and Canadian Mails.—Closed to-day per s.s. Nippon Maru 9 a.m.
Canadian Mail.—Closed to-day per s.s. Tamba Maru 3 p.m.
Siberian Mail.—Due to-day per s.s. Yokohama.
English Mail.—Due to-morrow per s.s. Namun.

The Dollar.
The rate of the dollar on demand to-day is 111 1/8.

To-morrow's Anniversary.
To-morrow is the 16th anniversary of the battle of Colenso.

For Demanding Money by Menaces.
The two Chinese who were charged yesterday before Mr. Hazeland with demanding money by menaces, have been sentenced to six months hard labour each.

A Dishonest Fok.
It has been reported by the Tai Shing goldsmith's shop, 298, Queen's Road Central, that a foki who had been entrusted with a pair of gold bangles, value \$250, has stolen the same and absconded.

Alice Memorial Hospital.
The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—Ginseng Dealers Guild, \$80.

An Artful Dodger.
Wong Ching-hong, a shop-keeper of 35, Queen's Road, has reported to the Police that a man came into his shop and obtained dry ducks and sausages to the value of \$165 by means of a forged representation that he was sent by his master. The man has since absconded.

Passengers Departed.
Amongst the passengers who left the Colony this morning on the Nippon Maru, bound for Manila, were Sir Chas. Elliot, of the Hongkong University, and Mr. N. F. Blanch of Messrs. Thos. Cook & Sons. Sir Charles is not expected to return to Hongkong until after Christmas.

Harbour Offences.
Before Commander C. W. Beckwith, R.N., at the Marine Court this morning, P. C. Edward Willis charged Leung Sam, Li Sze, Chow Lok and Ho Mei, boatwomen, with unlawfully being the outside boats of more than five other boats lying alongside the s.s. Taming in the Harbour of the 13th inst. The second defendant was fined \$15, while the others were fined \$10 each.

Fined for Obstruction.
Two licensed hawkers, man and wife, who were licensed to have two stalls, were charged before Mr. Hazeland this morning with obstructing the roadway. It was stated by Inspector Patrick O'Sullivan, of the Western District, that, beside the two stalls allowed, the defendants had six stools, one jar, five baskets, four boxes, and one tub in the roadway, thus causing an obstruction across the road. A fine of three dollars each was imposed.

LANGKAT OUTPUT.

Messrs. Wright and Hornby advise us that the Langkat output for the current month is as follows:

Dec.	Tons
1	152
2	130
3	138
4	151
5	150
6	138
7	146
8	149
9	147
10	148
11	154
12	152
13	151

Total to 13th inst. 1,924

Daily average. 148.00

NOTES ON THE CRISIS.

GREEK AFFAIRS.

News Still Wanted.

The silence concerning the doings in East and West continues, and we have to take refuge in the reflection that, if times are slack for our own men, they are no better for the enemy. Lulls and deadlocks are inseparable from any big campaign, and thus there must necessarily be times like the present when no news comes through and when we are bound, in consequence, to assume that "there is nothing to report." Only concerning the Balkans do we hear anything that has a touch of definiteness about it. In this respect we get a number of well betitled messages, all of which, it would seem, might be boiled down into the plain statement that, owing to somebody's blunder, the force sent to Serbia by the Allies was neither big enough nor speedy enough in its movements to be able to perform anything substantial, and that, consequently, it is being more or less driven out of the country—in all of which there is but cold comfort. The vacillating policy if policy it may justly be termed, of our friends the Greeks is said to have reached an end. The time has now come, judging from the latest wires, when their readiness to play the game will be put very earnestly to the test, and we are wondering how they will come out of it.

In the Dardanelles.

We notice that the Home Government still refrains from expressing itself authoritatively on the subject of the Dardanelles expedition, and, but for occasional scrappy messages, we might almost forget that it had ever been undertaken. The latest news is to the effect that Allies and enemy alike are feeling the cold down there. It certainly is unfortunate that the British troops operating in Gallipoli should include many who have no notion of standing the cold. Who, we wonder, is responsible for that? Hongkong people who have gone home in the winter time, after some years within the Tropics, know to their cost how absolutely paralyzing the European cold can be to them; and they will assuredly feel that, in contemplation of the approach of winter, it should have been possible to make some reasonable change of regiments. Very naturally, too, one still wonders what Russia is doing, and why her invasion of Bulgaria still hangs fire.

The War and the Winter

One of the small mercies for which we should be thankful, however, is that if circumstances which apparently none could altogether control have made things hard for our men, the enemy in all directions has found matters no more (but rather less) favourable. The inevitable wrangling between Austrians and Hungarians has already come to pass to some extent, the weather is as crippling for our foes as for ourselves, while financially there is no comparison between the two positions. In Britain the poor are undoubtedly having the best time of their lives, and, if prices are high, the wages earned are bigger than they have ever been before. Hunger and destitution and discontent are unknown there, and any stray "stop the war" maniac would certainly find himself outnumbered by about a million to one. Let Germany and Austria contrast all this with what is going on in their own territory, and then ask themselves how much longer it is possible for them to last. If distress is widespread in Germany and Austria, at what can only be termed the beginning of the winter, what is it going to be at the end of another four months of war?

A YEAR AGO TO-DAY.

LEADING EVENTS IN THE GREAT WAR.

Extracts from the war news contained in the "Hongkong Telegraph" of December 14, 1914.

A Balkan Settlement.—Bulgaria has accepted the Greek proposal for the appointment of a mixed Commission in regard to the frontier disputes.

The Goeben's Unsuccessful Effort.—On Friday afternoon the Goeben accompanied by the gun-boat Barkisrael, attempted to bombard Batoum, but the forts opened fire rapidly, they retired after firing only fifteen shots, doing insignificant damage.

Italian Demands on Turkey.

The Foreign Minister, speaking in the Chamber, said that Italy had insisted on exemplary reparation for the Hodeidah incident, but the Ottoman Government had replied that communication between Constantinople and Hodeidah was interrupted. (Loud murmurs). He had telegraphed again demanding immediate reparation (Loud cheers). A number of Deputies, amid cheers, strongly insisted that Italy's honour and dignity should be upheld.

Servian Successes.

The Servians on the extreme left have forced the enemy across the river Drina. The Servians also continue to drive the Austrians back in a northerly and north-easterly direction.

End of African Rebellion.

The rebellion is now practically at an end. Only small bodies of rebels remain at large. Yesterday Wessels at Serfontein surrendered with 1,200 men. In all about 70,000 rebels have been captured. The operations have concluded with a minimum of losses to the Union Forces.

FOR THE BELGIANS.

Sale of Work and Concert.

The sale of work organised by the Women's Sewing Meeting of the Wesleyan Church, and held in the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home on Saturday last, met with very gratifying success. The sale was opened by Lady May at three o'clock. In a few well-chosen words, her ladyship described the object of the sale and wished it all possible success.

The different stalls were decorated as Useful, Fancy, Competition, Tea, Flower, and Christmas tree. Through the kindness of Commander Gibbon, R.N., the room and stalls were effectively decorated.

The concert for the same object, held in the evening in the Royal Naval Theatre, was largely attended, a good proportion of those present being men of H. M. Services. A very enjoyable programme, arranged by Mr. G. T. Knight, was presented, each item being well received. The following ladies and gentlemen took part:—Mesdames Goodman and Alderman, Misses Scott and Stanley, Lieut. Scallan, R.A.M.C., Professor Gonzales, Messrs. Brock, Cawsey and Perrin. The four act play entitled "The Missing Notes," written by Mr. Gordon Banks, R.N., was a pronounced success. The little humorous touches were very well received.

The total proceeds of the sale and concert will amount to over nine hundred dollars, which will be sent to the Belgian Field Hospital Fund. The amount originally aimed at by these modest efforts was a sum sufficient to maintain one bed for a year—£50. It is now the intention of those responsible for the sale and concert to bring the amount up to £100 by a further effort, and so ensure the maintenance of two beds. The Belgian Field Hospital is worked by British doctors and British nurses and is doing a magnificent work for our Belgian Allies.

REPORTED PIRACY.

Jackmen's Interesting Story.

A case of piracy in the China Sea has been reported to the police this morning.

Sergeant Parkins, of a Tai-poo Police Launch, reports that at 9 a.m. yesterday morning he picked up an unlicensed junk with two men on board. They said they were part of the crew of junk 20447 which cleared from Hongkong to Nampo in Chinese territory, on the 11th or 12th, when they were attacked and robbed by a junk containing five men who were armed with revolvers.

The affair took place near Ngu Wwong Wan in Chinese waters. The occupants were made to get out of their junk and take to the one in which the pirates were. The latter afterwards sailed away in a westerly direction in their victims' junk.

TRADE INQUIRY LIST.

We are indebted to the American Consulate General for the following:

Hongkong merchants are invited to correspond with American concerns seeking Hongkong connections as listed below:

Felt.—The Standard Felt Company of 115-117 East 23rd Street, New York City, offers its line of felt goods suitable for the use of laundries, upholsterers, hospital supply manufacturers, boot and shoe manufacturers, piano manufacturers and all similar undertakings and invites correspondence.

Buttons.—Mr. Ludwig Hahn of 15, West 17th Street, New York City, desires to make connections for the introduction of his line of American made fancy buttons in metal, celluloid and other materials and invites correspondence.

Leather, Hides and Skins.—Messrs. W. B. Sumner and Company of 220-226, Townsend Street, San Francisco, Cal., desire to establish Hongkong connections for the import and export of hides, leather, tallow, wool, skins and furs.

Excavating Plants.—The Geo. B. Massey Company of the Peoples Gas Building, Chicago, Ill., offers itself as being in a special position for furnishing expert advice and other assistance in the purchase of excavating plants and similar machinery in the United States and invites correspondence.

Old Newspapers.—Thomas Barrett and Son of 300 Broome Street, New York City, invite correspondence looking to the sale of over-issue newspapers in Hongkong.

Iron Products, Leather, etc.—The Mediterranean and General Traders Inc., of New York City, seek Hongkong connections for the sale of their line of iron bars, and similar goods and various varieties of leather. They are particularly interested in securing a Chinese agent.

Suction Dredges.—The Frabling Suction Dredge Company of 17 Battery Place, New York City, seeks Hongkong connections for the sale of its suction dredges and similar plants and invites correspondence.

Lap Welded Steel Pipes.—The American Spiral Pipe Works of 50 Church Street, New York, invite correspondence from Hongkong importers looking to the sale of their forged steel pipe flanges and hydraulic supplies of all sorts. Lead.—The Michigan Smelting and Refining Company of Detroit, Michigan, offer to Hongkong importers American lead in any quantity.

Canned Vegetables.—Mr. V. K. Morgan of El Monte, Cal., packer of the "Lemon Brand" of tomatoes and string beans, seeks a Hongkong market for the product of his factory and invites correspondence.

Non-Corrosive Soldering Paste.—The Atlantic Importing Company of 85 Atlantic Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island, seeks a Hongkong market for its Atco Non-Corrosive Soldering Paste, samples of which can be requested at the Consulate General.

CIGARETTE AND TOBACCO FUND

For the Allied Forces at the Front.

The following is the Subscription List to date:—
Total acknowledged to the 4th December 1915 \$8762.59
Since received:—
Mr. A. Clark — \$10.00
Rev. A. Clark (European) Import and Export Department, Collected at Royal Naval Canteen by "Fincher Martin" — 16.00
R.D.H. — 2.50
Messrs. Moxon and Taylor — 5.00
Mr. A.E. Crispell — 50.00
Sergeant Maj. J.D. Logan, H.K.V.C. (Retired) — 10.00
Mr. Daniel Jaffe, — 36.00
Per South China Morning Post Non-Smokers — 25.00
10.00

List No. 4 M. & N. — \$154.50

G.T.E. — \$10
G.M.Y. — 10
C.H.B. — 5
A.W.V. — 5
O.E. — 5
J.M.M.H. — 5
G.E.S. — 5
W.N. — 5
L.S.G. — 3
A.L.G. — 3
A.W.L.B. — 3
G.A.R. — 3
E.W.N. — 3
L.J.G. — 3
R.C. — 3
W.C.B. — 3
A.R.A. — 3
F.W.J. — 3
J.R.K. — 3
R.I. — 3
D.M. — 3
T.M. — 3
T.M. Bathing Party — 13.60
S.J.D. and Co. — 5
T.W.H. — 5
M.W. — 5
D.M.R. — 5
E.J.R.M. — 5

R.H. — \$116.60
S.W.B. — 3
J.L. — 2
W.B. — 2
J.V.E. — 2
W.D. — 2
W.J.H. — 2
C.F. — 10
H.J. — 3
G.S.A. — 3
P.S.L.E. — 3
H.C.S. — 5
L.N.M. — 5
J.A.B. — 5
A.C.L. — 5
A.K. — 5
A.O.L. — 5
F.G. — 10
G.B.J. — 5
G.A.H. — 5
C.D.W. — 5
J.W.C.B. — 10
J.A.Y. — 5
A.G.G. — 5
G.M.L. — 2
N.J.S. — 10
H.B.B.H. — 5
D.E. — 5
"A Smoker" — 25
C.E.B. — 4
\$159

Expended to 4th Dec. 1915. \$8,417.65
Less on Subsidiary Coins. 2.72
Balance in hand — \$782.32

D. W. CRADDOCK, Chairman.

Hongkong, December 11th, 1915.

POLICE RESERVE ORDERS.

Orders issued to-day by Mr. F. C. Jenkins, D. S. P. (Reserve) state:—

Route March.
All ranks, except Patrolmen will fall in at Central Police Station at 9.05 p.m. sharp on Wednesday December 15.

Dinner.
The Inspectors and Sergeants of the Police Reserve will meet at dinner at the King Edward Hotel on Saturday December 18 at 8 p.m. The charge will be \$2 per head. Dress—Blue Patrol uniform for all ranks.

FIGHTING ZEPPELINS.

Why the Admiralty Intervened.

The naval correspondent of the Times says the discussion in the House of Commons on the defence of London against aerial attack, like that in the House of Lords on the previous afternoon, cannot be said to be conclusive. From the official statements three things emerge. The first is that no one person—nor, indeed, any one central organisation—is entirely responsible for the defence of the London area and Eastern Counties from the attack of aircraft. The Board of Admiralty have accepted a limited responsibility—limited to the extent that in certain matters intimately connected with defensive measures it is shared by other bodies with which they are in consultation. It was made clear, also, that Admiral Sir Percy Scott's duties only comprised the preparation and management of artillery defence. Further, it is of prime interest to Londoners to note that the artillery defences of the capital were found, on September 8, to be wholly inadequate. Mr. Balfour acknowledged this in the House on September 15, when he declared that nobody foresaw when the war broke out the full development of aerial war, and that the organisation which those responsible before the war might naturally have thought sufficient has been proved by experience to be quite the reverse.

That some additional preparations have been made since that date, and since Sir Percy Scott was given control of the guns, may be taken for granted. From what the First Lord said, however, about the supply of guns and ammunition it is manifest that some considerable time must elapse before even the artillery defences can be considered sufficient and efficient. With regard to other matters such as the control of traffic by road, rail, and river, and aerial defence, there would seem to be a want of that co-ordination which can only be given by absolute unity of control.

Origin of Admiralty Control.
In the official statements it will be noted there is a suggestion that, whatever arrangements have been made, they are more or less provisional, as, for example, when the Duke of Devonshire said that the aerial defence of London is "at present" in the hands of the Admiralty. It is important to recall the circumstances with which the defence of London against aircraft was taken charge of by the naval authorities. It was in August of last year that the Lord Mayor went to the higher powers to find out who was responsible. The War Office, which was approached first, seems to have declined what was its right and proper duty, whereupon the civil authorities went to the Admiralty, where Mr. Winston Churchill, on behalf of the Board, accepted the task. The late First Lord appears, from what has been published in the papers, to have given over the work to a young naval officer, with instructions to form a volunteer anti-aircraft corps. It is probable that, energetic and zealous as this officer showed himself to be, he had not the weight of authority to obtain all, or anything like all, that was necessary for his purpose. As, too, months passed away and no Zeppelins came to our shores, the apathy of London seemed to be less urgent. What he did in the way of preparing for the defence of the capital with his volunteer force was in every way commendable, but when it came to be tested on the night of September 8 it was proved to be, as now officially acknowledged, inadequate, and therefore practically useless.

Great changes have been made since that night, and the state of things which is now being revealed cannot, therefore, give information of value to the enemy. Paris, with an area less than one-tenth that of Greater London, is said to be defended by over 100 anti-aircraft guns. It may be doubted whether London, on the occasion of the first air raid, was provided with much more than one-tenth of this number. Yet, as every artilleryman knows, the effective area in which any one

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The following is the approximate statement of Traffic Receipts for the week ending Dec. 11, 1915:—

Receipts Aggregate for week. Receipts for 50 weeks.
This Year:—\$10,745 \$549,360
Last Year:—9,821 557,715
Increase:—924 8,645

LORD DERBY'S SCHEME.

Lady Lugard and Sir T. Sutherland, and Recruiting.

Is a recruiting supplement the Times gives a number of messages from may eminent people. Amongst the letters is one from Lady Lugard, who writes:—

A splendid opportunity has been offered to us. France and England are fighting side by side—France famous for swift audacity of conception, England whose pride has ever been to "see things through," the one as quick to seize as the other is slow to let go. They are one in council. All that they need is the driving force of men behind them. Every recruit adds to the driving power, and to join the colours now is to do as much as one man can do to enable us to win what may prove to be the decisive victory of the war.

Another letter is from Sir Thomas Sutherland, who states:—

I cannot avoid recalling the work which Lord Derby, then Lord Stanley, did in the House of Commons as one of the most energetic and popular Whigs of that day. The great qualities which he then showed have been magnified in the immense labours which he has carried out since this war began. He is now entrusted with the full confidence of the country in the endeavour to raise the strength of our Army to a point which will enable our Empire to take its full share in the conflict which has been forced on the Allied nations, and if any man can succeed in this mighty undertaking, all who know Lord Derby confidently believe that he will be the man.

gun can be employed against aircraft is limited, and to be of value the weapons must be numerous and well distributed. Moreover, as Lord Sydenham pointed out, there were difficulties in affording practice to the crews of the guns in the capital. It is, indeed, probable that until the night of the first raid the gunners had no actual practice whatever. The only place where such night practice as is essential can be obtained is in France, and Mr. Balfour states that the men are now being sent there for training. Then, again, it was pointed out after the first raid that the ammunition in use was ineffective. The shooting might be fairly good, considering all the circumstances, but shrapnel will not bring down a Zeppelin. In regard to all these matters, and others which it would be inexpedient to mention, improvement has been effected by Sir Percy Scott. So much is clear from the official statements, but such improvement is bound to be slow, for the reasons given by Mr. Balfour. Sir Percy is not a fairy godmother to produce guns and ammunition of the special kind shown to be necessary cut of pumpkins.

Aircraft Against Zeppelins.
The question of how far aircraft can be utilised for defence against Zeppelins appears to be still under consideration. If they are to be used effectively for the attack of the enemy's ships it is generally assumed that they must operate outside the London area, or between the capital and the coast. It would hardly do to have them passing through localities covered by gun fire. There is also the difficulty of descending at night to be met. Important subsidiary questions which are yet to be settled by consultation between the bodies concerned are the control of lights and traffic, as well as the alien problem. Perhaps of more personal interest to Londoners is the question whether the greater danger is incurred by being in the streets or in the houses. Upon this point the authorities might do well to publish figures showing the number of casualties in either circumstance.

DAIRY FARM NEWS.

CHRISTMAS ORDERS

FOR
DAIRY FARM TURKEYS,
GEES, DUCKS,
CAPONS and CHICKENS
SHOULD BE BOOKED EARLY TO AVOID
DISAPPOINTMENT.

J. ULLMANN & Co.

THE FRENCH JEWELLERY HOUSE
WATCHES, JEWELLERY, DIAMONDS.
EVERYTHING IN GOLD AND SILVER WARE
CUT GLASS AND FANCY GOODS
THE PLACE FOR USEFUL CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[The opinions expressed by the correspondents are not necessarily those of the "Hongkong Telegraph."]

SUNDAY'S SERMON.

Sir,—Your Educated Comp. has been having a time with my ill-written MS. and the result is so much more funny than edifying that I should like, with your permission, to correct him. In the report of my sermon yesterday I am made to say, "Even in Athens there were some who received the truth, showing in their vanity of condition that God is no Arcopagite and that with God all things are possible, even that persons of distinction should enter the Kingdom of Heaven." It ought to read, "Showing in their vanity of condition that God is no respecter of persons. One was Dionysius, an Arcopagite, showing that with God all things are possible, etc."

I don't dispute the statement your E. C. attributes to me; it is quite sound theology as far as it goes.

Yours faithfully,
J. E. K. MACDONALD
Hongkong, December 14, 1915.

DIRTY PLAY.

Sir, It is really disgusting beyond all expression for sportsmen to see or hear of dirty or foul play on the sports field; yet it seems to be a thing tolerated in Hongkong, above all places. I was in Hongkong on November 24, and, being a keen sportsman, I naturally take a bit of interest in sport when in the Colony. I leave true sportsmen to imagine the disgust I felt at the shameful exhibition of football at Happy Valley a few days before that. Personally, I love an element of roughness in a game, for it is a very disappointing game indeed where there is not a chance for a few solid, good heaves and half a dozen scrambles. But I draw the line at dirty and foul play, and I am sure every true footballer in the Colony will agree with me when I say that steps ought to be taken against it.

Those who read these lines will know the party guilty of what I refer to. One young lad came off the field with a broken wrist; another minus three teeth and yet another with his knee-cap in a place it ought not to be in, while the rest were damaged to such an extent that they could not put up a scratch team for a League match a few days afterwards.

We are a nation of sportsmen, and the sportsfield to us is a place always to be kept clean and clear of anything dirty or dishonourable. One of the first and last things we learn either in school or college is to "play the game." Why should it not be so in Hongkong, a British Colony?

Yours, etc.,
SPORTSMAN.
Tientsin, Dec. 7, 1915.

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LOG BOOK.

The U.S. Seamen's Law. American shipowners and officials are alleged to have conspired to bring the new Seamen's law into disrepute by deliberately causing delays and confusion in its enforcement at the very start. The charge was made by Andrew Furuseth, president of the International Seamen's Union, who is known as the father of the La Follette bill.

War Gives an Impetus to the American Shipbuilding. America has been keen to seize the opportunity for increased shipbuilding which the war limiting the similar activities of Great Britain and other belligerent countries has afforded. Merchant shipbuilding in the United Kingdom, according to the annual report of "Lloyd's Register," has necessarily fallen off owing to the great demands upon the shipbuilding resources of the country for the production of war vessels. Japan, the Scandinavian countries, and Holland are all partaking in the effect of the impetus to countries which are not at war, but it is in America that the increased activity is most marked. There are at present under construction and on order, for classification with "Lloyd's Register," the largest amount of tonnage upon record for that country. "It thus occurs," says the report, "that the actual volume of tonnage which is in hand throughout the world is not materially different from what it was twelve months ago, but it is differently distributed amongst the several shipbuilding countries." The tonnage of vessels classed in the Register Book at the close of the year ended June 30, 1915, was 300,000 in excess of the tonnage classed at the corresponding date in 1914. The British total at June 30 was 13,299,948 tons (representing 5,899 ships), and that of other countries 10,874,929, in 4,843 ships. The new tonnage last year was 1,295,623, that of the previous year 2,011,297, and that of the year before that 1,643,250.

Search of Vessels under Indian Defence Act.—Rules are notified under the Defence of India Act, under which competent military authority, or any other authority empowered in this behalf by the Local Government, may make regulations as to the navigation and mooring of vessels in the territorial waters adjacent to British India, and in the rivers or channels connected therewith, and may by such regulations prohibit any vessel or class of vessels from entering any such rivers or channels which such authority may consider it necessary to keep clear of vessels of that class. In the interests of public safety or the defence of British India any such officer or person may also: (a) stop and search any vessel found within the territorial waters adjacent to British India or in rivers or channels connected therewith; (b) any place which he has reason to believe has been, is, or is about to be, used for any purpose prejudicial to the public safety or the defence of British India; (c) seize anything which he has reason to believe is being used, or is intended to be used, for any purpose prejudicial to the public safety or the defence of British India; and (d) arrest any person whom he has reason to believe has acted, is acting or is about to act in a manner prejudicial to the public safety or the defence of British India. (2) Any officer or person exercising the powers conferred by this rule may use any and every means necessary to enforce the same; (3) any officer or person making an arrest or seizure under this rule shall forthwith report the fact to the Local Government, and pending the receipt of the orders of the Local Government may detain in custody any person arrested or thing seized: provided that no person shall be detained in custody for a period exceeding fifteen days without the order of the Local Government. It is provided further that no person shall be detained in custody under this rule for a period exceeding one month. (4) All articles seized under this rule shall be disposed of in such manner as the Local Government may direct.

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SHANGHAI	Yusang	Fri. 17th Dec. at 4 light
HAIPHONG	Taksang	Fri. 17th Dec. at 8 a.m.
MANILA	Loongsang	Sat. 18th Dec. at 3 p.m.
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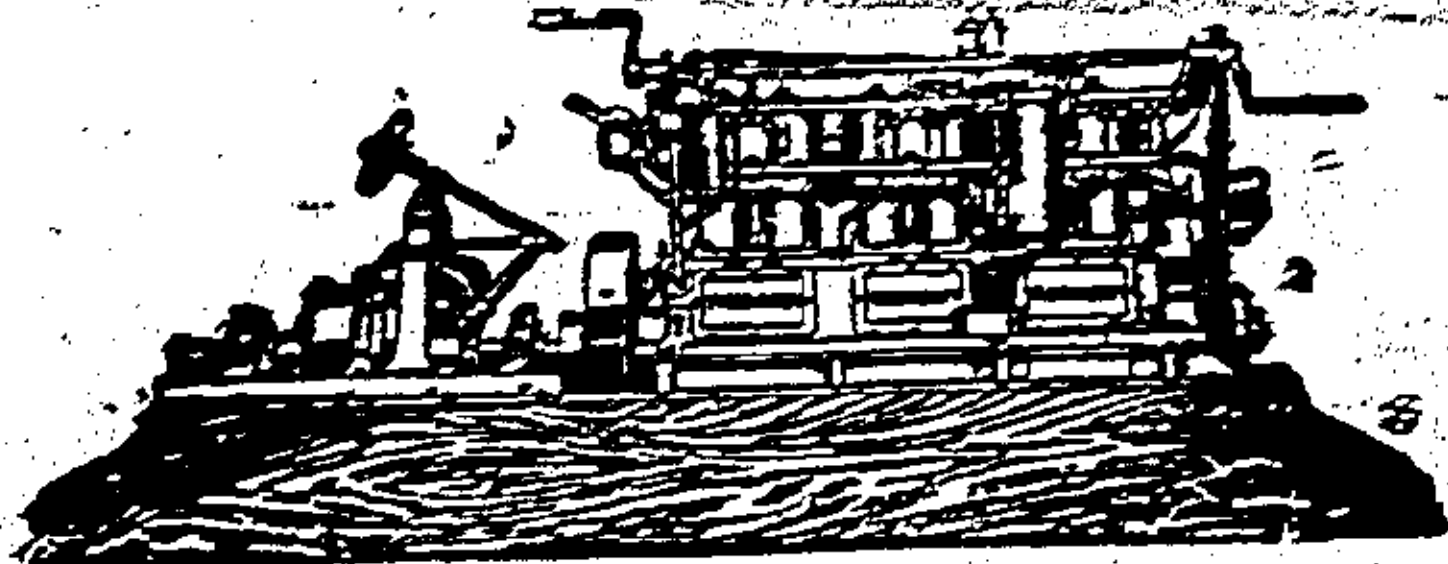
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London & Marseilles via Ports	Kashima M.	N. Y. K.	30. Dec.
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Marseilles via Saigon & Ports	Athos	R. Thomas	8. Jan.

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Victoria, B.C. & Ports	Canada M.	O. S. K.	16. Dec.
Victoria, B.C. & Seattle	Yama M.	N. Y. K.	23. Dec.
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San Francisco & American Ports	Kiyo M.	T. K. K.	8. Jan.
San Francisco	Arakan	J. C. J. L.	9. Jan.
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Boston & New York	Kathlamby	B. L. L.	15. Jan.
San Francisco via Shanghai & Japan etc.	Chiyo M.	T. K. K.	25. Jan.
San Francisco via Shanghai & Japan etc.	Persia M.	T. K. K.	31. Jan.
San Francisco	Tsiondary	J. C. J. L.	3. Feb.
San Francisco	China	C. M. S. S.	9. Feb.
San Foo via Manila & Japan etc.	Tenyo M.	T. K. K.	15. Feb.
San Francisco via Shanghai & Japan etc.	Dairen M.	T. K. K.	3. Mar.
San Francisco	Karimoon	J. C. J. L.	9. Mar.
San Francisco	Tikembang	J. C. J. L.	9. Apr.

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Australian Ports via Manila	St. Albans	G. L. Co.	18. Dec.
Australian Ports via Manila	Empire	G. L. Co.	3. Jan.
Sydney & Melbourne via Manila	Nikko M.	N. Y. K.	14. Jan.
Australian Ports via Manila	Changsha	B. & S.	21. Jan.
Australian Ports via Manila	Eastern	G. L. Co.	31. Jan.
Sydney & Melbourne via Manila	Aldenhams	G. L. Co.	21. Feb.
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Sandakan	Hinsang	J. M. Co.	15. Dec.
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Haiphong	Takung	J. M. Co.	16. Dec.
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Shanghai, Moji & Kobe	Bombay M.	N. Y. K.	16. Dec.
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Colombo M.	N. Y. K.	16. Dec.
Shanghai	Sinking	B. & S.	16. Dec.
Shanghai	Yusang	J. M. Co.	17. Dec.
Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama	Sawa M.	N. Y. K.	17. Dec.
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	Haimoon	D. L. Co.	17. Dec.
Haiphong	Kaifong	B. & S.	17. Dec.
Shanghai, Moji, Kobe and Yokohama	Norvan	P. & O.	18. Dec.
Singapore, Calcutta etc.	Hakata M.	N. Y. K.	18. Dec.
Manila	Loongsang	J. M. Co.	18. Dec.
Singapore, Bombay etc.	Iyo M.	N. Y. K.	20. Dec.
Manila, Cebu and Iloilo	Chinhuu	B. & S.	21. Dec.
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	Haiching	D. L. Co.	21. Dec.
Shanghai, Moji & Kobe	Bombay M.	N. Y. K.	24. Dec.
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Colombo M.	N. Y. K.	24. Dec.
Manila	Yusang	J. M. Co.	25. Dec.
Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama	Azusa M.	N. Y. K.	28. Dec.
Shanghai	Tikembang	J. C. J. L.	30. Dec.
Shanghai, Kobe & Moji	Hola	D. S. & Co.	21. Dec.
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N. Y. K.	Kamo Maru	15,000	Dec. 15	Yokohama
S. T. & Co.	Glenlagan	3,809	16. Dec.	London
P. & O.	Namur	6,694	16. Dec.	Yokohama
S. T. & Co.	Kioto	4,230	16. Dec.	New York
G. L. & Co.	Empire	4,495	16. Dec.	Australia
P. & O.	Novara		16. Dec.	London
N. Y. K.	Shinyo Maru	12,400	18. Dec.	Yokohama
T. K. K.	Shinyo Maru	22,000	20. Dec.	San Francisco
B. & S.	Hyson	6,608	23. Dec.	London
B. & S.	Prism	4,543	24. Dec.	Liverpool
J. C. J. L.	Tikembang		24. Dec.	Java
J. C. J. L.	Tikembang		25. Dec.	Japan
N. Y. K.	Kashima Maru	21,000	29. Dec.	Yokohama
P. & O.	Nankin		29. Dec.	Yokohama
B. & S.	Helena	7,535	31. Dec.	London
S. T. & Co.	Kathlamby	4,104	1. Dec.	New York
P. & O.	Nellore		1. Jan.	London
N. Y. K.	Sado Maru	6,277	1. Jan.	Yokohama
P. & O.	Kashmir		1. Jan.	Yokohama
B. & S.	Knight Companion	7,433	1. Jan.	London
J. C. J. L.	Arakan		1. Jan.	Java
G. L. & Co.	Eastern	3,586	1. Jan.	Australia
T. K. K.	Persia Maru	9,001	1. Jan.	San Francisco
P. & O.	Monzara		1. Jan.	London
N. Y. K.	Hitachi Maru	6,557	1. Jan.	Australia
P. & O.	Novara		1. Jan.	Yokohama
N. Y. K.	Nikko Maru	9,600	1. Jan.	Yokohama
T. K. K.	Chiyo Maru	22,000	1. Jan.	San Francisco
P. & O.	Sardinia	6,574	1. Jan.	London
B. & S.	Changsha	2,959	1. Jan.	Australia
N. Y. K.	Awa Maru	6,309	1. Jan.	Yokohama
N. Y. K.	Shidmoka Maru		1. Jan.	Yokohama
N. Y. K.	Sawa Maru	21,000	1. Jan.	Yokohama
P. & O.	Kashmir		1. Jan.	Yokohama
P. & O.	Nellore		1. Jan.	Yokohama
G. L. & Co.	Aldenhams	3,808	1. Jan.	Australia
P. & O.	Namur	6,694	1. Jan.	London
P. & O.	Nore		1. Jan.	London
J. C. J. L.	Tsiondary		1. Jan.	Java
T. K. K.	Tenyo Maru	22,000	1. Jan.	San Francisco
N. Y. K.	Atsuta Maru		1. Jan.	Yokohama
P. & O.	Sardinia	6,574	1. Jan.	Yokohama
P. & O.	Nankin		1. Jan.	London
N. Y. K.	Aki Maru		1. Jan.	Seattle
P. & O.	Mongara		1. Jan.	Yokohama
N. Y. K.	Tango Maru		1. Jan.	Australia
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THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH.

EXTRA

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1915

TO-DAY'S LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

[Reuter's Service to the "Telegraph".]

THE FIGHTING IN THE BALKANS.

HOW THE IRISH SAVED THE DAY.

Continuing his account of the operations in Macedonia, Reuter's special correspondent says:—Yesterday week the Bulgarian pressure became stronger. Their forces had rapidly increased from two to four Divisions with Cavalry Corps. These began to bear most heavily on a point at the junction of the French and British lines, especially threatening the Strumitsa road forming the main artery of our position.

Their first onslaught was not pressed vigorously and was easily repulsed, but, with his constantly increasing strength, the enemy soon began to make things hot for our first line, opening a murderous artillery fire at close range. Exposed to this hot grilling and threatened partly on the flank, owing to the French retirement, our position became untenable. Therefore, the men of the Irish Division were withdrawn to the second line, which had been prepared a long time in advance.

In the course of these engagements, the fighting was often hand-to-hand, but the Irishmen proved themselves better men than the Bulgars, even with the latter's own favourite weapon, the bayonet. They repeatedly drove off the enemy, who was heavily punished.

The importance of our stand is difficult to exaggerate, because, had the Bulgarians succeeded in pushing through, they would have cut off the retreat of the Anglo-French main body. The splendid tenacity of the Irish Division defied the enemy's hopes and gave the Anglo-French Command ample time to proceed with the withdrawal.

GENERAL MAHON'S OPTIMISTIC OPINION.

According to Reuter's correspondent at Paris, a telegram from Salonica says that the situation is much better. General Mahon, who returned on the 11th inst. from an inspection of the Anglo-French front, is of the opinion that the Franco-British troops, who are abundantly supplied with munitions and food, can easily hold the Bulgarians and the Germans in check. The British forces are increasing and it is hoped that shortly the French forces will also be considerably increased.

ANOTHER BRITISH STEAMER SUNK.

The British steamer Pinegrove has been sunk. Twenty-two of the crew were saved.

WAR ITEMS.

Von Wangenheim Dead.

Amsterdam, Oct. 25.—A Constantinople telegram, received via Berlin, announces that Baron von Wangenheim, who only recently returned to the Turkish capital, has died after a short illness.

Armenian Bishop Burnt.

Geneva, October 25.—The Journal de Geneve states that the Turks have recently burnt alive a distinguished Armenian Archbishop. In one district alone the executions now reach a daily average of 500.

Newspaper Correspondent Imprisoned.

A correspondent of the Tyd, named Kamper, who has sent his paper various revelations which are disagreeable to the Germans, has been incarcerated in one of the forts at Liege.

German Pirate Ship.

Washington, October 26.—The steamer Zealandia, which shipped out from Hoboken, has been located at Campeachy (Mexico), manned by Germans, who are believed to be planning a raid on British and French oil ships.

The German Swiss.

A feature of the alien question in England is the ascertained activity of German Swiss, who are ostentatiously neutral, in espionage on behalf of Germany. At Grimsby, A. J. W. Widmar, a German Swiss who posed as a French seaman, and obtained permission to visit the houses of British officers and thereby gained important information, was handed over to the police for immediate deportation.

Bravery Pills for Germans.

Announcements are made here from time to time, writes the Petrograd correspondent of the Central News, to the effect that the Austro-German soldiers are compelled by their superior officers to swallow pills to induce bravery. They are prepared from drugs which have an exciting effect on the human organism. Two pills are given out to each man daily.

Sir Ian Hamilton Cheered by the Crowd.

London October 23.—General Sir Ian Hamilton accompanied by Major-General Braithwaite, Chief of Staff, and Col. Pollen, his aide-de-camp, paid an early visit to the War Office today. He was received by Earl Kitchener. A conference was held at which, in addition to Sir Ian and the War Minister, there were present Mr. Balfour and Lord Derby. Sir Ian Hamilton remained at the War Office about two hours. On arrival he was cheered by a large crowd. Soon after Sir Ian's departure Earl Kitchener left London.

Another Spy Shot.

London Oct. 27.—It was officially announced this afternoon that a prisoner charged with espionage was recently tried by General Courts-martial at the Guildhall, Westminster, and was found guilty and sentenced to death. The sentence was duly confirmed and was carried out this morning. Eleven spies have paid the death penalty in this country since the war began. Lody, Muller, Rosenthal, and eight men unnamed. Kuespelt, the German soldier spy, committed suicide during his trial. One woman was sentenced to penal servitude. A British traitor was given imprisonment for life.

TELEGRAMS.

UNITED STATES NAVY.

An Elaborate Programme.

(Reuter's Service to the "Telegraph".) London, Received, December 14. Reuter's correspondent at Washington says that the annual U.S. Navy Report issued by Mr. Daniels, the Secretary of the Navy, contemplates a five-years' programme at a cost of one hundred million sterling. The Report suggests the laying down of two Dreadnoughts yearly, one battle cruiser, two scouts, ten destroyers and eighteen submarines. Thus, in 1921, the United States will have twenty-seven battleships, six battle cruisers and twenty-five second-line battleships, besides ten armoured cruisers etc.

OBITUARY.

The Earl of Glasgow.

London Received December 14. Reuter reports the death of David Boyle, 7th Earl of Glasgow, at the age of 82. The late Earl served in the Crimean War and in the China War of 1857. He is succeeded by his son Viscount Kilmarnock.

THIS EVENING'S PARADE.

Two Popular Volunteer Officers to be Decorated.

This evening, on the Cricket Ground, the Volunteers and Volunteer Reserves are to parade on the occasion of the presentation, by His Excellency the Governor, of the Colonial Auxiliary Forces Officers' Decoration (V.D.) to Major Macdonald and Capt. G. P. Lamont, of the H.K.V.C. Both officers have been long associated with the Volunteer movement in Hongkong and are very popular in the Corps.

Major Macdonald, who is second in command of the Corps, joined the Volunteers in 1894. He was then in the Dock Company's service, and, with others, was instrumental in forming a new section of the Corps—the Left Section of the Field Battery. Shortly afterwards he was made Sergeant, and was promoted to Lieutenant in March, 1896; Captain in 1899 and Major in April, 1907. He holds the Long Service medal. When Major Macdonald joined the Corps it was less than 100 strong, being composed solely of the Field Battery. "A" Machine Gun Company being added shortly afterwards. At the present time there are only four or five other men in the Corps who can boast the same length of continuous service as Major Macdonald.

Captain Lamont has 27 years' service to his credit. He joined the force in 1883, being attached to the Field Battery, but resigned six years later. In 1894 he rejoined the Corps, having been an honorary member in the interim. On this occasion he was allotted to "A" Machine Gun Company. Since that time he has always been a member of the Corps and has gone right through the ranks. He got his commission in 1901 and was made a Captain in 1906. In 1910 he was awarded the Long Service medal. At the time of King George's Coronation, Captain Lamont was one of the contingent which went Home to represent Hongkong.

SANITARY BOARD.

A meeting of the Sanitary Board was held this afternoon, when the business was of a formal character. It was reported that no infected rats have been killed during the past week. It was satisfactory to learn that there has been no absence of infected rats since October 23.

INDO-CHINA S. N. CO.

Transfer of Head Office to Hongkong Approved.

Messrs. Wright and Hornby are in receipt of a cable from London advising them that the resolutions regarding the transfer of the head office of the Indo-China Steam Navigation Company from London to Hongkong were passed at the meeting held in London yesterday.

THE CHARGE AGAINST A GUNNER.

The hearing of the case in which Gunner Ralph Crawford, of the Royal Garrison Artillery, was charged with stealing \$10, the money of Mr. F. E. Hill, of the Palace Hotel, Kowloon, on December 5, was proceeded with before Mr. Hasland, at the Police Court this afternoon.

Sergeant Lanning, who was in the charge office when the defendant was brought in, said he questioned the boy of the hotel who brought the defendant to the station, about the cash box it was alleged the defendant had stolen. He said he left the back of the counter and went out and closed the door, leaving the cash box in the room. He turned round and saw the defendant with the box in his hands. He went and took hold of the defendant, calling out at the same time a \$10 bill was found to be missing.

The defendant, on oath, said he invited a friend to the Palace Hotel to have a game of billiards. When they got there, the table was engaged, so they had two drinks. They stayed there until nearly 12 o'clock, when he asked the boy to let them have two bottles of beer. The boy refused so he (defendant) said he would go and see the manager. He looked in the saloon bar to see if the manager was there, but could not see him, so went back towards the bar. When he got to the door, the boy would not let him in and started shouting, saying something about \$10. Just then a constable came in wanting to know what the row was, and after the boy had told the constable that he (defendant) had stolen some money, the constable took them to the saloon bar and made them turn out their pockets. The money was counted, the boy making it \$10.02 and witness \$10.32. The constable asked him what he was doing with all the small money and he replied that it was what he had left out of his pay. The constable afterwards took him to the station. When going to the station he did not say to the constable "You can square them all night."

Asked by Mr. Hasland why he got all the small money, defendant said that he had previously changed a \$10 bill. All the gunners changed their big money in order to get the discount. He thought he came out with about \$13.

After further evidence had been called, the defendant was discharged.

Up to the Minute.

No change.

The Murders of Admiral Teong. The two assassins of Admiral Teong were executed at Shanghai Arsenal last Tuesday.

Union Church Concert. Professor Danenberg and his pupils will give a concert in the Hall of Union Church, Kennedy Road, to-morrow evening the 15th inst. at 9 p.m. in aid of the new organ fund. Tickets, \$1 each, may be had at the doors.

A CHIRP FROM THE NEST.

O wad the Powers that be above us Who seem to favour, e'en to love us

Disdain for one clear month to above us

To other regions: Believe us of these tedious guards "Spelling" o'er barbed wire and shards

With blinding lights turned us towards

In linked legions.

"Wallie" who ca's his self a "Scot"

Spends a' his time upon the trot

At least, ye'll always find him out

When ye require him

"Wee Donald,"—he's in the "Rassiree,"

Is always chasing o'er "Prasair-ye."

"D." Company's what he desires—

Only they don't desire him.

Perched high and clear above the rest,

Because Sir Henry thinks it best "Rassiree" and "Scots" uphold "The Nest."

But do they like it?

How often to themselves they've said,

"Gie us a blinny German head,

"Fat, sleek and Strasburg-sausage-fed

"And let us strike it!"

Oh ye who wallow in the trenches

"Mid poisonous gas and other stench,

Remember too, the pain that wrenches

The man of forty

Who stands upon a flimsy board

Trying to keep true watch and ward

O'er a blasted German horde,

And iana haughty.

E'en in this wee sma's place,

Hongkong

To preen yersel' should na be wrong.

For surely we have stuck it long—

THAT CURSED NEST.

We try to do o'erleie bit,

Although we dinna fancy it,

Although our uniforms don't fit,

We do our bit,

Kowloon, Dec. 11, 1915.

VOLUNTEER ORDERS.

Corps Orders issued to-day by Lieut-Col. A. Chapman, V.D., state:—

Private W. C. Cowan is granted leave of absence from 16.12.15 to 16.12.16.

Manning of Posts. Reference Corps Order No. 2 dated 4.12.15, "Belchers Section" and the Scouts Company will fall in at Headquarters at 2.30 p.m. instead of at 8 a.m. on 19th inst. These units are to be in position by 4 p.m. and will be dismissed by 8 p.m.

Parades for Wednesday, 15th inst. 7.00 a.m. Members of Signalling Section and other Signallers, as detailed in Signalling Section order dated 8.12.15 Semaphores practice at Headquarters. Remainder, nil.

Engineer Company. "Lyseann Relief" from 18th to 31st December is posted on the notice board at Headquarters for information of all concerned.

Detail. Gun Club Hill, Kowloon:—On duty until morning of 20th inst. No. 1 Sec. Art. Batty, and Left Sec. M.G.C.

Officer on duty Lieut. Beck. P. of W. Camp, Kowloon:—On duty to night Scouts Co. Officer on duty Capt. Stewart.

On duty to-morrow night Scouts Company. Officer on duty Lieut. Murphy.

On duty 16th inst. Scouts Company. Officer on duty Capt. Hutchison.

Orderly Sergeant until morning of 20th inst. Corp. A. A. Bolton.

THE YANGTZE WHARF AND GODOWN CO.

Extraordinary General Meeting.

An extraordinary general meeting of shareholders in the Yangtze Wharf and Godown Co., was held at Shanghai on December 9, at the offices of Messrs. Carlowitz and Co. There were present: Mr. C. Rosenbaum (presiding), Messrs. F. Lieb and C. Bookman (directors), C. Langgraf (Secretary) and seven other shareholders. The attendance represented 1,722 shares.

The notices calling the meeting having been read, the Chairman said:—Gentlemen, since our last Ordinary General Meeting, our Company has been in a rather awkward position. Our German and Austrian clients, on whose support we have been principally dependent for our earnings, have naturally withdrawn what was left of it on account of the British registration of this Company, and since July 25, the date of coming into effect of the "Trading with the Enemy in China" regulations, we have been altogether barred from such business while the other side, knowing the preponderance of German interests in the Company, would or could not recognise us as a British concern.

There appeared to be no way out of the difficulty except sitting still and wait for the end of the war. Your directors have carefully avoided any acts in contravention to the various King's Regulations, dealing with the "Trading with the Enemy," but when we are called upon to resign in favour of a Board of British Directors, as we are by the new Order in Council coming into effect on January 1 next year, a Board that would double the share of a German firm as agents contrary to our Articles of Association, we find it impossible to go on as a British company.

We would feel guilty of deserting the interests of the great majority of shareholders, which is of German nationality and which would be treated as an "alien enemy" by such a Board. It is true that the new Order in Council only calls for a majority of British Directors, but from experience you all know, that does not mean that even one member of German nationality would under the circumstances be suffered to remain on the board.

Besides, it appears to be very doubtful whether British subjects could be found willing to accept the posts of Directors, managers or auditors to the company under the "reign of terror" lately enacted by the British authorities in this international community in a neutral country, when even the receipt of a letter from an enemy subject will bring a Britisher into conflict with the British law.

The publication of the New Order in Council on November 18 came in time to call this Extraordinary Meeting, the purpose of which has been communicated to you in the notice just read and in a private circular letter dated November 22, and sent to every shareholder, with a view to wind up the Company voluntarily and to withdraw from the British register before January 1 next.

The road is paved for the registration of a new company under German jurisdiction as soon as the formalities for winding up this company have been carried out, the new company taking over all assets and liabilities as from January 1, 1916 and to be conducted on exactly the same lines as the old one, the shareholders to receive one share of the same nominal value in the new company for every share held by them in the old.

TRICK CYCLING AGAIN.

Offenders Scurily Dealt With.

"These trick-cyclists are a nuisance to the Colony," said Mr. Hasland at the Police Court this morning, when two Chinese youths were summoned for riding cycles to the common danger at Kowloon yesterday?

It was stated that the defendants were riding in Salisbury Road just as the Star Ferry boat had come in, and that risk had to get in the gutter to keep out of their way. Both defendants were fined \$15 each.

BELGIAN REFUGEES' FUND.

Mrs. Bowley has forwarded \$7 to Mrs. Denny for the Belgian Hostels at Thames Ditton, representing \$71 donations received from Lady May, Lady Rose Davies, Lady Chater, Mrs. Anstruther, Mrs. Dodwell, Mrs. Laddale, Mrs. Looker, Mrs. Pentreath, Mrs. Pemberton, Mrs. Pollock, Mrs. Ritchie, Mrs. Murray Scott and Mrs. Stubb.

ST. JOHN AMBULANCE ASSOCIATION.

First Aid Examination.

At an examination in first aid recently held by Surgeon General Hoeky, R.N., the following candidates were successful:—Miss Ethel Allen, Miss Bertha Bishop, Miss Jean Bragg, Miss Maud Bragg, Mrs. Alice Bryson, Mrs. Dolores Carroll, Mrs. Annie Chardron, Miss Olga Figueiredo, (†), Miss Carmelita Gardner (*), Miss May Higgins, Mrs. Florence Hing, Miss Maria de Jesus, Miss Clara Passos, Mrs. Alice Pierpoint, Mrs. Matilda Remedios (*), Mrs. Celestina Summers (*), Miss Evi Summers and Mrs. Eveline Hyndman Xavier (*).

Those marked *, having passed three examinations, are qualified to receive the Medal of the Association. The candidate marked † has passed the "Junior" Examination only. Four candidates failed to satisfy the examiner. Dr. Koch acted as Hon. Lecturer to the class, which was conducted under the auspices of the Catholic Women's League.

Before moving the resolution, I shall be glad to answer to the best of my ability any questions shareholders may wish to put.

There were no questions, and on the motion of the chairman, seconded by Mr. Lieb, the following resolution was declared carried:—

"That the company be wound up voluntarily and that Mr. C. Bookman be and he is hereby appointed liquidator for the purpose of such winding."

The Chairman then proposed resolution No. 9, viz:—

"That the said liquidator be and he is hereby authorised to sell the company as a going concern to a new company, 'Yangtze Lagerhaus Aktiengesellschaft' incorporated under German Law upon the terms and conditions fully set forth in a letter dated on November 22, 1915, a copy of which has been addressed and duly despatched to every shareholder."

This was seconded by Mr. Lieb and carried. The Chairman announcing that "one shareholder had abstained from voting."

This was all the business of the meeting, which terminated with an announcement by the Chairman that a confirmatory meeting would be held on December 29 at the same time and place.

PUBLIC AUCTION

GEO. P. LAMBERT.
AUCTIONEER, SHARE &
GENERAL BROKER

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

TUESDAY,
the 21st December, 1915
commencing at 11 a.m. at his
Sales Rooms Duddell Street,
IN ONE LOT,
The Japanese Steamer
"Taro Maru"

as she now lies wrecked at the
Hainan Straits together with her
Engines, Anchors, Cables, Appur-
tenances, Stores, etc., etc.
and
The Cargo consisting of about
3,500 Tons of Hongkong Dust
Coal.

For further particulars apply to
GEO. P. LAMBERT,
Auctioneer.

Terms: Cash on the fall of the
Hammer.

G. P. L. R.
NOTICE.

Any European, Non-Asiatic or
Indian desiring to leave the
Colony should apply in writing for
permission to do so to the
Captain Superintendent of Police,
at least 48 hours before the in-
tended hour of departure, giving
name, nationality, age, sex,
height and occupation of the
applicant, and stating the name
of the steamer or other vessel or
the hour of the train by which
the applicant wishes to leave.
Applicants should apply in person
for their passes at the Central
Police Station between the hours
of 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. to
4 p.m. daily.
Hongkong 9th, July, 1915.

NOTICES.

KEROSENE OIL.

We guarantee all kerosene oil
sold by us to be pure and
unadulterated.

Present price—

"COMET."

\$3.90 per case ex store.

"WHITE ROSE."

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Loans on Mortgage of House Pro-
perty, &c.
Goods received on Storage.
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System.

(Rates and Particulars on ap-
plication).
The Office of
**TRUSTEE, EXECUTOR, OF
WILLS, ATTORNEY, &c.,**
Undertaken and Executed.
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.
General Managers.
Hongkong, 19th March, 1890.

**PEAK TRAMWAY CO.
LIMITED**

TIME TABLE.

WEEK DAYS.		
1.00 AM. to 1.00 PM.	1.00 PM. to 1.00 AM.	25 Mins.
2.00 AM. to 2.00 PM.	2.00 PM. to 2.00 AM.	25 Mins.
3.00 AM. to 3.00 PM.	3.00 PM. to 3.00 AM.	25 Mins.
4.00 AM. to 4.00 PM.	4.00 PM. to 4.00 AM.	25 Mins.
5.00 AM. to 5.00 PM.	5.00 PM. to 5.00 AM.	25 Mins.
6.00 AM. to 6.00 PM.	6.00 PM. to 6.00 AM.	25 Mins.
7.00 AM. to 7.00 PM.	7.00 PM. to 7.00 AM.	25 Mins.
8.00 AM. to 8.00 PM.	8.00 PM. to 8.00 AM.	25 Mins.
9.00 AM. to 9.00 PM.	9.00 PM. to 9.00 AM.	25 Mins.
NIGHT CARS.		
1.00 PM. to 1.00 AM.	1.00 AM. to 1.00 PM.	25 Mins.
2.00 PM. to 2.00 AM.	2.00 AM. to 2.00 PM.	25 Mins.
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8.00 PM. to 8.00 AM.	8.00 AM. to 8.00 PM.	25 Mins.
9.00 PM. to 9.00 AM.	9.00 AM. to 9.00 PM.	25 Mins.
SUNDAYS.		
1.00 AM. to 1.00 PM.	1.00 PM. to 1.00 AM.	25 Mins.
2.00 AM. to 2.00 PM.	2.00 PM. to 2.00 AM.	25 Mins.
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7.00 AM. to 7.00 PM.	7.00 PM. to 7.00 AM.	25 Mins.
8.00 AM. to 8.00 PM.	8.00 PM. to 8.00 AM.	25 Mins.
9.00 AM. to 9.00 PM.	9.00 PM. to 9.00 AM.	25 Mins.
NIGHT CARS on Week Days.		

COMMERCIAL.

Malayan Tin Dredging Dividend.
The Malayan Tin Dredging Co. has declared a dividend of a shilling a share, less income tax, payable on November 30th.

New Industries—Possibilities for Australia.

In a report to Parliament as to the new industries, which in its opinion could with advantage be established in the Commonwealth, the Inter-State Commission remarks that if by new industries in certain industries which have not yet been attempted in Australia, few such have been brought before the commission in the tariff investigation. If however, a broader view is taken of the terms as to include the expansion of industries already existing and their development into new branches of production, many opportunities have been pointed out for such expansion and development. The efforts of the commission have been mainly devoted to the further expansion of existing industries in which capital has been invested and labour trained in expert work, says the Sydney Daily Telegraph. In many instances the commission has been able to rely on precise information as to the present conditions of Australian industry. In others there has been a regrettable dearth of information on the part of manufacturers which has made it difficult to ascertain the true value of the present conditions and prospects of certain industries. What entirely new industries may be established; reads the report, is a question depending almost wholly on the conditions, whether private enterprise, capital, and expert labour are available for the purpose. This, fortunately, has been the case with the iron and steel industry, which promises an expansion in industrial activity exceeding by far anything which may be anticipated from any other source. The following are given as typical instances in which Australian raw material may be used in connection with new industries—Copper wire, rod, tubes, and sheet tops, yarn, and the weaving of woollen fabrics from our own raw material, the immense quantities of fats and oils, the by-products of wool scouring (at present run to waste), improvement of the process of tanning and preparation of leather, investigation as to the possibility of obtaining tannin extracts of commercial value from bark other than wattle, the prospects of the profitable production of alkalis from the natural salt deposits of South and Western Australia, the economic production of wood pulp from the fibre of the forest trees of Australia; the production of alum and potash from the local deposits of shales, one of which in the county of Gloucester, New South Wales, is said to be "one of the most remarkable in the world"; the systematic exploration, with the view of the possible discovery of natural petroleum deposits, the manufacture of tin plate, the possible utilisation of cheap water power, the local cultivation of the better qualities of tobacco, the local manufacture of margarine, the growing of flax for fibre and heneed, the manufacture of zinc oxide, the cheapening of the cost of sugar for manufacturing purposes. It appeared to the commission most desirable that goods of Australian manufacture should bear some mark clearly showing their origin. The commission is of opinion that the probable consequences of the war will make it more necessary than ever to carefully discriminate between those industries which promise success in providing employment and substantial benefit to the nation and those industries which are not profitable to the community. In a reference to the trade with enemy countries, the commission points out that in 1913 93 per cent of the total imports into the Commonwealth came from Germany and Austria-Hungary. This proportion will be lowered if the commission's suggestions for increased duties and increased preference to the United Kingdom are adopted.

Don't forget after the Show.
Berger and Light Refreshments
ALEXANDER CAFE.
Open till Midnight.

SHARE REPORT.

COMPARATIVE SHARE QUOTATIONS.

STOCK	Debt's Closing Price	Number of Shares	Par Value	1914 Highest	1914 Lowest	1915 Highest	1915 Lowest	Last Dividend and Date
Banks.								
H'kong & Shanghai Banking Corp.	\$800	120,000	\$125	all	\$55	July	700	Oct. 245 x div. 790 c. div. {22 1/2% at 1/9 5/16 equal to \$24.21 for 1/2 year 30/6/15
Marine Insurances.								
Canton Insurance Office, Ltd.	425	10,000	\$250	50	350	Dec.	305	Oct. 435 360 {Final of \$4 s/c 1913. Interim of \$18 s/c 1914. Final of 1914 p/c making 25 p/c for 1914.
North China Ins. Co., Ltd.	177 1/2	10,000	\$15	25	145	May	133	Jan. 175 160 {Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1913, and Interim of \$30 for 1914.
Union Ins. Society of Canton, Ltd.	3710	12,000	\$250	100	847 1/2	April	700	Oct. 297 355 {Final of \$15 s/c 1913 for 1913 & int. of \$3 for 1914.
Yangtze Ins. Assoc. Ltd.	330	12,000	\$100	60	210	April	192 1/2	Jan. 270 225 {Final of 1913.
Fire Insurances.								
China Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	152	50,000	\$100	20	160	July	140	Oct. 163 136 {25% for 1913.
H'kong Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	415	8,000	\$250	50	395	Feb.	368	April 420 385 {27% for 1913.
Shipping.								
Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.	392	20,000	\$50	all	36	Mar.	27 1/2	Nov. 94 45 {44% for year ending 30.6.15.
Hongkong, C. & S.S. Co., Ltd.	20	80,000	\$15	all	29 1/2	Jan.	22	Dec. 23 19 {Final of 40 cts. making 80 cts. for year ending 31.12.14. 5 p/c on p/c & 3 p/c on i.e. for year 1914 & 2 p/c on i.e. for year 1913. 2 p/c on p/c & 3 p/c on i.e. for year 1914 & 2 p/c on i.e. for year 1913. 2 p/c on p/c & 3 p/c on i.e. for year 1914 & 2 p/c on i.e. for year 1913.
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co.	158 1/2	60,000	\$5	all	79	Jan.	50	Sept. 159 96 {Interim of 1 1/2% account year ending 30.6.15 (Coupon No. 5.) 1/2 for 1909.
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.	85 1/2	3,797,610	\$1	all	106 1/2	Feb.	70	Sept. 90 82 {25% for 1913.
Star Ferry Company, Ltd.	37 1/2	40,000	\$10	all	49	Mar.	40	Nov. 39 32 {Final of 5% (Coupon No. 24) making 7 1/2% for 1914. 1/2 for 1913.
Refineries.								
China S. Refining Co., Ltd.	178 1/2	20,000	\$100	all	96 1/2	Feb.	70	Nov. 134 111 {33% for 1913.
Luzon S. Refining Co., Ltd.	36 1/2	7,000	\$100	all	31	Jan.	17	Dec. 46 27 1/2 {33% for 1913.
Mining.								
Kailash Mining Admin'n.	30 1/2	1,000,000	\$1	all	4 1/2	Feb.	33 1/2	Dec. 33 1/2 30 1/2 {Interim of 1 1/2% account year ending 30.6.15 (Coupon No. 5.) 1/2 for 1909.
Ranch Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	3 1/2	200,000	\$1	all	3 1/2	Jan.	190	Nov. 4 3 1/2 {25% for 1913.
Troch Mines Ltd.	27 1/2	160,000	\$1	all	39 1/2	Feb.	19 1/2	Nov. 41 37 1/2 {Interim of 1 1/2% account year ending 30.6.15 (Coupon No. 5.) 1/2 for 1909.
Ural Caspian	36 1/2	796,656	\$1	all	56 1/2	Feb.	21 1/2	Nov. 41 37 1/2 {Interim of 1 1/2% account year ending 30.6.15 (Coupon No. 5.) 1/2 for 1909.
Docks, Wharves and Godowns &c.								
H'kong & K.W. & G. Co., Ltd.	77	60,000	\$50	all	75	Jan.	73	Nov. 81 1/2 68 {33% for year 1914.
H'kong & W.P. & D. Co., Ltd.	83 1/2	50,000	\$50	all	77	Jan.	53	Oct. 82 1/2 57 {33% for year 1914.
Shai Dock & Eng. Co., Ltd.	61	55,000	\$100	all	60	July	50	Dec. 63 1/2 49 ex div. {Tls. 3 for year ending 30.6.15.
Shai & H'kew W. Co., Ltd.	98	36,000	\$100	all	109	Jan.	82 1/2	Dec. 93 1/2 80 {Tls. 5 for 1914.
Lands, Hotels and Buildings.								
Anglo French Lands	194	13,000	\$100	all	123	July	120	Dec. 116 94 {Tls. 6 1/2 for year ending 29.12.14.
H'kong Hotel Co., Ltd.	103	20,000	\$50	50	123	July	120	Dec. 116 94 {Tls. 6 1/2 for year ending 29.12.14.
H'kong Land Investment Co.	113 1/2	50,000	\$100	all	117 1/2	July	88	Nov. 111 1/2 108 {33% for year ending 30.6.15.
H'kongs Estate & F. Co., Ltd.	83 1/2	100,000	\$10	all	84 1/2	Jan.	77	Nov. 73 610 {45 cents for year 1914.
H'koon Land & Building Co., Ltd.	40	6,000	\$50	20	45 1/2	Jan.	44	Feb. 40 40 {43 for 1914.
Shanghai Lands	103	75,000	\$50	all	58	Dec.	49	Oct. 106 101 {Dividend of 6 p/c for 1/2 year ending 30.6.15.
West Point Building Co., Ltd.	75 1/2	12,000	\$50	all	73	June	66	Feb. 103 70 {2 for half year ending 30.6.15.
H'kong Central Estates	102	10,000	\$100	all	73	June	66	Feb. 103 70 {4.08 for 7 months ending 31.12.14.
Cotton Mills.								
Ewo Cotton S. & W. Co., Ltd.	160	20,000	\$50	all	138	July	135	May 180 152 1/2 {Tls. 12 for year ending 31.10.14.
Kung Yik	115	75,000	\$10	all	142	Jan.	11	Mar. 17 133 1/2 {Tls. 1.20 for year ending 30.11.14.
Laou Kung Mow	78	40,000	\$50	all	110	Feb.	70	May 69 80 {Tls. 12 for 1913.
Shanghai Cottons	136	40,000	\$50	all	135	Feb.	70	Nov. 105 90 {Dividend of Tls. 7 1/2 for year ending 30.6.15.
Miscellaneous.								
China Porece Company, Ltd.	10 1/2	60,000	\$10	all	12	May	10	Dec. 10 10 {35 cents for 1914.
China Light & Power Co., Ltd.	48 1/2	10,000	\$5	all	4.50	July	4	April 4 1/4 4 1/4 {6% for year ending 28.2.06.
Do. (Spec. shares)	9.80	125,000	\$10	all	9	Jan.	7	Nov. 10.10 8.00 {70 cts. for 1914.
China Prov. L. & M. Co., Ltd.	9.80	40,000	\$10	all	39	June	35	Aug. 34 31 {1.25 for year ending 31.7.15.
Dairy Farm Company, Ltd.	420	400,000	\$10	all	6.90	Jan.	5	Dec. 11 6.70 {50 cts. for 1914.
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.	245	60,000	\$10	all	49	Jan.	36	Nov. 45 39 {32.00 per share for 1914.
Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.	144 1/2	6,000	\$25	all	217 1/2	July	174	Dec. 190 184 {Interim of \$2 account 1915.
Hongkong Ice Co., Ltd.	190	6,000	\$25	all	25	June	22	Apr. 43 25 {Interim of 1/2 for year ending 30.6.15.
Hongkong Ropery Co., Ltd.	34	6,000	\$10	all	3 1/2	July	7 1/2	Feb. 5.50 4.80 {40% for 1914.
Hongkong Tramway Co., Ltd.	35 1/2	250,000	\$10	all	64 1/2	Mar.	28	Dec. 42 36 3/4 {Interim of Tls. 1 making Tls. 2 s/c 1912.
Langkats	136 1/2	25,000	\$10	all	10 1/2	Jan.	1 1/4	June 10 9 {70 cts. on fully paid shares and 7 cts. on \$1 paid shares for year ending 30.6.15.
Peak Tramway Co., Ltd. (Old)	10 1/2	25,000	\$10	all	93 cts.	Jan.	75 cts.	Dec. 81 80 cts. {4 None
Do (New)	25 cts.	25,000	\$10	all	93 cts.	Jan.	75 cts.	Dec. 81 80 cts. {4 None
Philippines Id.	34	75,000	\$10	all	10	—	—	— 5 5 {1.50 for 1910.
H. Price & Co., Ltd.	35	12,000	\$10	all	10	—	—	— 5 5 {1.50 for 1910.
Societe des Pulpes et Papier	230	12,000	\$50	all	10	—	—	— 20 20 {None
Series du Tonkin	230	12,000	\$50	all	10	—	—	— 20 20 {None
Steam Laundry Co., Ltd.	33 1/2	20,000	\$5	all	5.00	June	4	Nov. 3 3.00 {25 cts. for year ending 31.5.15.
Union Water-boat Co., Ltd.	315	27,723	\$10	all	22 1/2	Feb.	17	Jan. 18 16 {41.00 per share for year ending 31.12.14.
Watson and Co., Ltd.	36.40	50,000	\$10	all	8 1/2	April	6.90	Dec. 6.90 x div. 6 1/2 x div. 60 cts. for 1914.
William Powell, Limited	36	21,000	\$7	all	9 1/2	Jan.	6 1/2	Dec. 7 6 {50 cts. on old shares and 25 cts. on new shares for year ending 30.6.14.
S. C. Morning Post	329	6,000	\$25	all	30	June	92	Dec. 29 29 {1.50 for 1914.

LATEST RUBBER QUOTATIONS.

Anglo-Java Estates Ltd. Tls. 12.70 sellers.	Ayer Panas (Straits) \$6.30 buyers.	Kempas (Straits) \$4.40 buyers.	Sandycrofts (Straits) \$7.00 buyers.
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